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MICH-TAMS TO MEET DURING MICHIGAN STATE SHOW -

This will be the last opportunity to remind the membership of Mich-TAMS that we will hold our usual general meeting during the Michigan State Show in Detroit in November. It is expected that provisions will be made for our meeting sometime on Saturday afternoon, and members in attendance at the show are asked to watch for details when they arrive.

Two items should be brought to your attention. Number one, the membership will be asked to confirm the action taken at the meeting two years ago at which the officers are returned to office for a second year. This is the result of the feeling that one year in an office is hardly sufficient to become fully acquainted with the office and its demands. However, an election will be held to fill the expiring term of one of the board members.

Secondly, we will repeat the annual auction of donated exonumic items to help replenish the treasury. We will be asking for extra tokens and medals and related items that you no longer wish to keep. Members have been very generous bidders in the past, and this seems a painless way of helping the treasury.

Raymond E. Olson

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THANK YOU, MARIE -

An enthusiastic group of token and medal collectors gathered at the farm home of Marie Johnson and her amiable husband, Bill, on Sunday, July 18. Marie had everything in readiness, including bourse tables, and a delicious lunch of barbecued beef sandwiches, potato salad, home-made ice cream, coffee and soft drinks. The weather was beautiful, and everything combined to make it a successful and memorable day. A partial list of collectors included -

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Alice O'Dell and three friends from Albion, Pete Hartley from Fenton, Waldo Hostetler from Detroit, Bob Williams from Ferndale, Bernard Keith from Detroit, the Stebbinses from Livonia, Steve Penzes from Detroit, Roy Stewart from London, Ontario, Don McKelvey from Port Huron, John Canfield from Ann Arbor and LaVergne Kreutskamp from Detroit. The day was spent in buying, selling, trading, visiting, eating, and just relaxing. All in all, it was a wonderful event and many expressed the hope that it could be an annual affair. We all join in giving Marie and Bill a sincere "Thank You" for the idea and all the planning and doing that made it such a long-to-be-remembered day.

Raymond E. Olson

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT
Third Mich-TAMS Token and Medal Show
Livonia, Michigan

Receipts:		
15 Table Rentals @ $3.00 ea.		$45.00
(Lusch, Keith, McKelvey, Johnson, Connors, Curte, Puls, Williams, Beard, Hostetler, Wright, Bigham, Olson, Post, Killinger)		
Expenditures:		
Telephone Calls	$4.50	
Detroit News Want Ad	11.62	
Postage Stamps	2.40	
2 Table rentals refunded	6.00	
	$24.52	
		$24.52
Balance, turned over to Norma Killinger, Treasurer, Mich-TAMS, as a reserve for future shows		$20.48

Raymond E. Olson

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A MEMBER WRITES -

The interesting article on "Is the Oriental Love Token a Myth?," which appeared in a recent issue of "The Junk Box," was of great interest to me and brought back some fond memories.

Years ago as a coin dealer, I had handled some of these pieces and had heard many stories about them. I sond one piece to the late John Gilbody, a well-known New England collector, and he had approximately 25 of these made in silver to be given to friends.

In the course of the conversation at the time, I mentioned that the silver pieces would probably be the type used by Mandarins and the bronze pieces by the peasants. He thought this was a good gag and went around telling everyone the story, and soon it was accepted in the Boston area and both of us had many a chuckle about it.

I wonder whether it is coincidence after reading the story, or am I the one responsible for this numismatic fable?

Your publication is excellent. Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,
Maurice M. Gould

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SHADES OF WORID WAR II -

After completing basic training at Camp Lee, Virginia, I was sent to the Army Administration School at West Chester, Pennsylvania, for a six week sojourn to learn how the Army handled their Postal Service and forget how it was done in civilian life.

Thence, a delay enroute to Oakland, California for overseas duty, which enabled me to spend a few days home.

My outfit, the 36th Postal Regulating Section was staged there at Oakland, and in due course our orders arrived to be attached to the 7th Base Post Office in Australia.

So the Army dutifully crammed us on the first ship going in that direction, even though there was no room, and no orders, to be on that troop carrier.

And to further compile the snafu when we arrived at Pearl Harbor it was discovered that there were still no orders for us to be on that boat, and it took two days to decide whether to let us off or not.

But one thing was in our favor, the ship was only going to Hawaii and then was to return to the States, so they decided to kick us off. And besides the 15th Base Post Office at Fort Shafter needed some extra help, so they decided to send us there until another ship was available, and they made up their minds just what to do with us.

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SHADES OF WORLD WAR II - Cont'd from Page #30

My outfit's first job at BPO 15 was to sort out mail from planes that had ditched in the Pacific. The recovered mail was in terrible shape, burned, charred and mostly soaking wet. Our job was to sort it our individually and spread it out on tables to dry, and then when dry to try and decipher enough of the address or the return address to forward it on to the addressee or return to the sender.

So now the connection with World War II. Yesterday I received a "souvenir" from the post office in Toledo with the attached note "We are sorry for the damage and delay to your mail which is the result of the crash of an aircraft at Toledo Express Airport on July 8, 1971".

It's pretty well charred around the edges and still pretty damp and watersoaked, so I'm going to leave it in the plastic holder and keep it for a souvenir.

Your return is quite ink streaked but still readable, and my name and address (typed) is very good, as is the postmark (July 7).

So whatever it was, could you find an extra copy and send me so I can keep up with your most informative and interesting news.

Thanks.

George C. Stenson

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MAIL BID SALE -

Tulsa Tokens has asked me to put an item in this issue of The Junk Box of their Mail Bid Sale No. 7 with a closing date of Dec. 4th. This listing consists of tokens, Civil War Tokens, Watch Fobs, Advertising Mirrors - Various items on consigned basis - If anyone is interested in receiving a copy of this sale - it is available for the asking.

As soon as this current sale is over they will begin another sale and are interested in receiving items on consignment or if anyone has extra tokens for sale they would appreciate hearing from them.

This listing is put out by Bill and Doris Corbett, under the name of Tulsa Tokens, 1434 N. Joplin, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74115.

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HAVE YOU MADE YOUR PLANS TO ATTEND THE MEETING AT THE MICHIGAN STATE SHOW IN DETROIT?

THE PETERMANN STORE TOKENS -

One of the more interesting and challenging sets of Michigan merchants tokens are those used by the chain of Petermann Stores in a number of Kewenaw Peninsula communities. These tokens are one of the Ingle series with the patent date of April 7, 1914. This date corresponds with the dates of the existence of the stores, which in general was during the greatest activity of the copper mines in that area. All of these stores were listed in the 1909 issue of the R. G. Dun Reference Book.

What adds interest to these tokens is the fact that while all are inscribed with Petermann Stores Co., Inc. and the denomination, each token in addition has a conspicuous circle holding the appropriate initial letter of the community where the store was located. To date my collection of these tokens (All Ingle) contains the following:

A - Allouez, Mich.: 5¢
G - Gay, Mich.: $1.00
K - Kearsarge, Mich.: 1¢, 5¢, 25¢, $1.00
M - Mohawk, Mich.: 5¢, 25¢, $1.00
P - Phoenix, Mich.: 5¢, 10¢

In addition to the Ingle tokens, another later series bears the name of the Ins. Credit System, Dayton, Ohio., patented June '19. Unfortunately, I have only a partial set identified as coming from Mohawk, Mich., since they also bear the letter M within the circle. Perhaps some other collector can shed additional light on these tokens. Naturally, I would like to hear from anyone who can help me complete my partial sets.

Raymond E. Olson

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ADDRESS CHANGES -

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NOTE - If you are planning to move in the near future or have recently moved please send in a change of address so we may keep our records up to date and assure you of receipt of The Junk Box.

NEW ISSUES -

The following was received from George Stenson -

In the July issue of The Junk Box you listed several communities that had been reported as having issued numismatic material, and requested Mich-TAMS members to assist in reporting others.

The list that I have enclosed is as near complete as I can make it. Some communities and/or Committees have been most co-operative and have immediately replied to my letters, or if the traveling distance was not too much over 100 miles I managed to make a personal trip to obtain material personally.. Sometimes I had to make the second trip because the people that manned the Centennial Headquarters were only there on certain days of the week, or only certain hours of the day.

On the other hand, several comunities with which I attempted to contact with letters of inquiry have ignored or at least failed to accord me with the courtesy of a reply, even though I have always sent a self addressed stamped envelope along with my letter.

Another deplorable fact that I have run up against on numerous occasions is that too many business men or places in their communities do not know what plans have been made or what souvenirs are to be issued to celebrate their Centennials or Anniversaries. That also applies to many of the city employees, who most certainly of all people of the community should know what's going on.

I have not attempted to list centennial souvenirs as listed by the letters returned to me, but only the basic collectables such as the coin-medals, pinback buttons and wooden nickels. Most communities, as you know, usually have bumper stickers, decals, plates, ash trays, hats, dresses, aprons, pot holders, etc. One small community up north listed 26 various items, no less.

If I can help you or any other Mich-TAMS members in regard to the list, please let me know."

BEAVERTON ?

CADILLAC - Centennial - Sterling Silver (100), Bronze, Buttons

CHEBOYGAN - Centennial - Antique Bronze, Goldine, 5¢ Blk.

COLEMAN - Centennial Antique Bronze, Goldine

COOPERSVILLE - Centennial Sterling Silver (50) Bronze, Buttons

GRAND JUNCTION-Centennial Buttons only

GRASS LAKE - Centennial Wooden nickel only 5¢ Blk.

HASTINGS - Centennial Aluminum Proof (200), Goldine, 5¢ Blue

HOMER - Centennial No response to letters.

KALKASKA COUNTY-Centennial Sterling Silver (100) Antique Bronze (1000)

L'ANSE - Centennial No response to letter.

LESLIE ? They celebrated their 125th Anniversary in 1961.

LINCOLN PARK - 50th Gold Plated Key

LINDEN - Centennial Sterling Silver (?) Antique Bronze Goldine, Buttons Wood - 5¢ Black & 5¢ Green

ONEKAMA - (Portage Lake Channel Centennial) - Antique Bronze, Buttons

RIVER ROUGE - 50th Medals, etc. have not yet been received by them (8-24

ROGERS CITY - Centennial Goldine, Buttons

ROYAL OAK - 50th Buttons, Lapel Pin

ST. IGNACE - 300th Golden Bronze, Buttons

TROY - 150th Goldine, Key Chains, Buttons

WEBBERVILLE - Centennial Sterling Silver (50) Antique Bronze Goldine Buttons

WHITE CLOUD ?

WILLIAMSTON - Centennial Sterling Silver (50) Antique Bronze Goldine Buttons

WIXOM - Centennial (70-71) Sterling Silver (100) Bronze, Buttons

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Number in parenthesis behind Sterling Silver indicate number of pieces struck**

Coming in 1972

EVART - Centennial

HAMTRAMCK - 50th

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AVAILABLE APRIL 15, 1972 -

An elongated cent will be issued for the 1972 Marion, Ohio Sesquicentennial. These are to be made with the 1972 cents and will carry a picture of the Harding Memorial in Marion, Ohio. They will be available after April 15, 1972 at 50¢ ea. Orders are to be mailed to - Koch's Coin Shop, 531 Mound Street, Marion, Ohio 43302 anytime after April 15th. Please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

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WANTED -

Need the following Michigan tokens: Car Wash: Monroe 650A, Temperance 922A, Warren 935A. Parking: Flint 3315A and B, Grand Rapids 3370 B, D, I, and K; Kalamazoo 3530D; Lansing 3560A, Traverse City 3930C, and Miscellaneous 3999C. Have many to trade or will buy. Raymond E. Olson, 32137 Oakley, Livonia, Michigan 48154.

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FOR TRADE -

Have trade tokens from most states to offer for Michigan trade tokens that I need. Would appreciate hearing what you have and need. Raymond E. Olson, 32137 Oakley, Livonia, Mich. 48154.

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FROM THE DESK OF THE EDITOR -

This will be my last issue of the Junk Box. My obligations to my home make it impossible to do justice to the members of Mich-TAMS. I do not have the time that is necessary for the research it would take to be able to print the educational and interesting publication you deserve.

I do want to thank you for the cooperation I have received.

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WANTED -

Would like to hear from collectors of Elks lodge tokens. Object: To exchange information and tokens. Raymond E. Olson, 32137 Oakley, Livonia, Michigan 48154.

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WILL WE BE SEEING YOU AT THE MICH-TAMS MEETING IN DETROIT?

A PRELIMINARY LISTING OF EXONUMIC ABBREVIATIONS - Continued from July -

EEI	Edison Electric Institute
EJ&ERY	Elgin, Joliet, & Eastern (Railroad)
EM	Enlisted Men
ENGRS	Engineers
ERC	Enlisted Reserve Corps
ETO	European Theatre of Operations
EUA	United States of America (Estades Unides de America)
FA	Field Artillery
FABN	Field Artillery Battalion
F&AM	Free and Accepted Masons
FBW	Fighter Bomber Wing
FCB	Friendship, Charity, and Benevolence (Knights of Pythias)
FEAF	Far East Air Force
FEC	Florida East Coast (Railroad)
FFA	Future Farmers of America
FLC	Force Logistics Command
FLT	Friendship, Love and Truth (Odd Fellows)
FOE	Fraternal Order of Eagles
FRB	Federal Reserve Bank
FRISCO	St. Louis-San Francisco Railway
GAR	Grand Army of the Republic
GB&W	Green Bay and Western (Railroad)
GGIE	Golden Gate International Exposition (San Francisco, 1939-40)
GHQ	General Headquarters
GM&O	Gulf, Mobile and Ohio (Railroad)
GN	Great Northern (Railroad)
GOP	Grand Old Party (Republican)
GSA	Girl Scouts of America; also General Service Administration
HAC	Headquarters Area Command
HBM	His (Her) Britannic Majesty
HQ or HQS	Headquarters
HRH	His (Her) Royal Highness
IAD	International Astrophysical Decade (1965-1975)
IBT	International Brotherhood of Teamsters
IC	Illinois Central (Railroad)
ICC	Interstate Commerce Commission
UCRC	International Committee of the Red Cross
IGY	International Geophysical Year (1957)
IH	International House
IHBR	Indiana Harbor Belt Railroad

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ABBREVIATIONS - Cont'd from Page #33

I.H.S. or J.H.S	Iesus Hominoum Salvator (Latin: Jesus Savior of Men) In Hoc Signo (Latin: In This Sign)
INCO	International Nickel Company
INF or INFTY	Infantry
I.N.R.I.	Iesus Nazaronus Rex Iudaorum (Latin: Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews)
IOF	Independent Order of Foresters
IOOF	Independent Order of Odd Fellows
IORM	Improved Order of Red Men
IPE	International Petroleum Exposition
IRC	International Red Cross
IRT	Interborough Rapid Transit
IT&T	International Telephone and Telegraph
IWLA	Izaak Walton League of America
IWW	Industrial Workers of the World
JA	Junior Achievement
KB	Knight of the Order of the Bath
K of C	Knights of Columbus
KCM&O	Kansas City, Mexico, & Orient (Railroad)
KCS	Kansas City Southern (Railroad)
KKK	Ku Klux Klan
KMAG	Korea Military Advisery Group
K of P	Knights of Pythias
KT	Knights Tmplar
L & A	Louisiana & Arkansas (Railroad)
L&HR	Lehigh & Hudson River
LIRR	Long Island Railroad
L&N	Louisville & Nashville
LOM or LOOM	Loyal Order of Moose
LPE	Louisiana Purchase Exposition (St. Louis, 1904)
LV	Lehigh Valley (Railroad)
LWV	League of Women Voters
MAAG	Military Assistance Advisory Group
MAC	Marine Air Command
MAF	Marine Air Force
MAG	Marine Aircraft Group
MAW	Marine Aircraft Wing
MGM	Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer
MIAFA	Reported to mean "My interests are for America". KKK
MKT	Missouri, Kansas, Texas (Railroad)
MOWW	Military Order of the World Wars
MP	Military Police
MSC	Medical Service Corps
M&STL	Minneapolis & St. Louis (Railroad)
MSTP&SSM	Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Ste, Marie (Soo Line RR)
MWA	Modern Woodmen of America
NAA	National Aeronautics Association
NAACP	National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
NAAS	Navy Auxiliary Air Station
NAD	Naval Ammunition Depot
NAF	Navy Air Force
NAS	Naval Air Station
NATB	Naval Air Training Base
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
NCO	Non-Commissioned Officer
NC&STL	Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis (Railroad)
NG	National Guard (For example: ONG Ohio National Guard)
NKP	Nickel Plate Road (Also NPR)
NRA	National Recovery Act
NSA	Naval Support Activity
NSC	Naval Support Command
NSPCA	National Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
NTC	Naval Training Center
NTS	Naval Training Station
N&W	Norfolk and Western (Railroad)
NWF	National Wildlife Federation
NYC	New York Central (Railroad)
OAS	Organization of American States
OCD	Office of Civil Defense
OCOM	Open Commissioned Officers Mess
OES	Order of Eastern Star
OM	Open Mess
OOM	Officers Open Mess
ORD	Ordnance
PAC	Pacific Air Command
PAE	Pan-American Exposition (Buffalo 1901)
PARCOA	Parking Corporation of America
PAU	Pan-American Union
PE	Pacific Electric (Railroad)
PE	Post Exchange or Post Engineers
P&E	Peoria & Eastern (Railroad)
PHS	Public Health Service
P&LE	Pittsburgh & Lake Erie (Railroad)
PO	Petty Officer
PPIE	Pan-Pacific International Exposition (San Francisco 1915)
PRR	Pennsylvania Railroad
PRT	Philadelphia Rapid Transit
P&SF	Panhandle & Santa Fe (Railroad)

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ABBREVIATIONS - Cont'd from Page #34

PTA	Parent-Teachers Association
PX	Post Exchange
QM	Quartermaster
QMC	Quartermaster Corps
RAAF	Royal Australian Air Force
RAF	Royal Air Force
RC	Replacement Center
RCAF	Royal Canadian Air Force
RCMP	Royal Canadian Mounted Police
REG, REGT, or RGT	Regiment
REX	Short For for Reginald (Latin for King)
RF	Republique Francaise (France)
RKO	Radio-Keith-Orpheum
ROTC	Reserve Officers Training Corps
RRU	Radio and Research Unit
RVN	Republic of Vietnam
SAC	Seoul Air Command
SAE	Society of Automotive Engineers
SAV	Spanish American Veteran
SCAP	Supreme Commander, Allied Powers
SCOMO	Saigon Commissioned Officers Mess Organization
SEMO	Saigon Enlisted Men's Organization
SHAEF	Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces
SLP	Socialist Labor Party
SLWF	St.Louis World's Fair (St. Louis 1904)
SP	Special or Shore Patrol
SPCA	Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
STRCOM	Saigon Transportation Command Open Mess
SVBN	Service Battalian
SWP	Socialist Workers Party
SYMWAO	Reported to mean "Spend Your Money with Americans Only"(KKK)
TAC	Tay Ninh Area Command
TN or TBN	Tank Battalion
TC	Transportation Command
TCS	Tactical Control Squadron
TKBN	Tank Battalion
TOC	Theatre of Operations Command
TVA	Tennessee Valley Authority
UAR	United Arab Republic
UAW	United Automobile Workers
UDC	United Daughters of the Confederacy
UK	United Kingdom
UMW	United Mine Workers
UNESCO	United Nations Education, Scientific, and Cultural Organization
UNRRA	United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration
U.S.A.	United States Army
USAAF	United States Army Air Force
USAF	United States Air Force
USAFE	United States Air Force Europe
USAH	United States Army Hospital
USAR	United States Army Reserve
USARV	United States Army, Republic of Vietnam
USCG	United States Coast Guard
USGS	United States Geological Survey
USIA	United States Information Agency
USMA	United States Military Academy
USMM	United States Merchant Marine
USN	United States Navy
USNG	United States National Guard
USO	United Service (or Servicemen's) Organizations
USPHS	United States Public Health Service
USS	United States Ship
USSR	Union of Soviet Socialist Republic
USTS	United States Training Ship
USV	United States Veteran
USWV	United Spanish War Veterans
VCC	Veterans Conservation Corps
VFW	Veterans of Foreign Wars
VOL	Volunteers
vox pop.	vox populi (Latin: Voice of the people)
WAC	Women's Army Corps
WAF	Women in the Air Force
WAVES	Women Accepted for Voluntary Emergency Service in the Navy
WCC	World Council of Churches
WCTU	Womens Christian Temperance Union
WHO	World Health Organization
WMO	World Meteorological Organization
WOW	Woodmen of the World
YCC	Youth Conservation Corps
YMCA	Young Men's Christian Association
YMHA	Young Men's Hebrew Association
YWCA	Young Women's Christian Association
YWHA	Young Women's Hebrew Association

Submitted by -
Raymond E. Olson

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